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Proposed Information Collection VA Police Officer Pre-Employment Screening

Checklist); Comment Request

AGENCY: Office of Operations, Security, and Preparedness, Department of Veterans

Affairs

ACTION: Notice

SUMMARY: The Office of Operations, Security, and Preparedness (OSP), Department of Veterans Affairs is announcing an opportunity for public comment on the proposed collection of certain information by the agency. Under the Paperwork Reduction Act (PRA) of 1995, Federal agencies are required to publish notice in the Federal Register concerning each proposed collection of information, including each proposed extension without change of a currently approved collection, and allow 60 days for public comment in response to the notice. This notice solicits comments on information needed to determine an applicant's qualification and suitability as a VA police officer.

DATES: Written comments and recommendations on the proposed collection of information should be received on or before [Insert date 60 days after date of publication in the FEDERAL REGISTER].

ADDRESSES: Submit written comments on the collection of information through the Federal Docket Management System (FDMS) at www.Regulations.gov; or to Harry Brist, Office of Operations, Security, and Preparedness, Department of Veterans Affairs,

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LETC, 2200 Fort Root Drive, Little Rock, AR 72114 or e-mail: harry.brist@va.gov. Please refer to "OMB Control No. 2900-0524" in any correspondence. During the comment period, comments may be viewed online through FDMS.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Harry Brist at (501) 257-4051 or Fax (501) 257-4145.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Under the PRA of 1995 (Public Law 104-13; 44 U.S.C. 3501 - 3521), Federal agencies must obtain approval from OMB for each collection of information they conduct or sponsor. This request for comment is being made pursuant to Section 3506(c)(2)(A) of the PRA.

With respect to the following collection of information, OSP invites comments on: (1) whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of OSP's functions, including whether the information will have practical utility; (2) the accuracy of OSP's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information; (3) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (4) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on respondents, including through the use of automated collection techniques or the use of other forms of information technology.

<u>Title</u>: VA Police Officer Pre-Employment Screening Checklist, VA Form 0120.

OMB Control Number: 2900-0524.

Type of Review: Extension of a currently approved collection.

Abstract: VA personnel complete VA Form 0120 to document pre-employment history and conduct background checks on applicants seeking employment as VA police officers. VA will use the data collected to determine the applicant's qualification and suitability to be hire as a VA police officer.

Affected Public: State, Local, or Tribal Government.

Estimated Annual Burden: 250 hours.

Estimated Average Burden Per Respondent: 10 minutes.

<u>Frequency of Response</u>: One time.

Estimated Number of Responses: 1,500.

DATED: March 21, 2013

By direction of the Secretary:

Robert C. McFetridge, Director, Office of Regulations Policy and Management,

Office of General Counsel,
Department of Veterans Affairs.

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